



State of New Jersey

Department of Environmental Protection

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Commissioner

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Jeanne M. Fox, Regional Administrator
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Dear Ms. Fox:

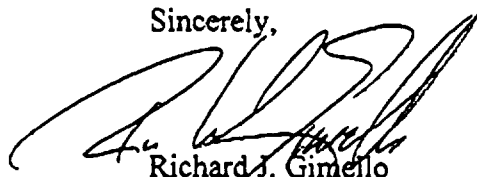
Re: Record of Decision, Non-Concurrence, Chemsol Site, Piscataway Township

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has reviewed the Record of Decision (ROD) for the Chemsol site which was forwarded to us on August 3, 1998. The Department cannot concur with this ROD. The primary issue is that the Environmental Protection Agency is not requiring the cleanup of PCBs to our residential criterion of .49 mg/kg but is utilizing a cleanup goal of 1.0 mg/kg. Also, EPA is not requiring that a deed notice be instituted for the property in the event that PCBs are left on-site at levels above the .49 criterion.

In the event that this primary issue could be worked-out, there are a number of secondary issues contained in our letter of March 25, 1998, which is enclosed for your reference. The only items addressed by EPA in this correspondence were comment numbers 11 and 13. If your staff would like to conduct a meeting on the issues outlined in this letter, I will ensure that Department staff are available.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Bruce Venner, Chief of the Bureau of Federal Case Management at (609) 633-1455.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Gimello
Assistant Commissioner

Enclosure
c: Bruce Venner, BFCM